

HOUSE BILL 215  
By Briley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,  
Chapter 50, relative to certificates of driving.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-331, is amended by deleting subsections (g) and (h) in their entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the department may issue a certificate for driving to persons whose presence in the United States has been authorized by the federal government for a specific purpose and for a specified period of authorized stay. Such certificate of driving shall be valid only during the period of time of the applicant's authorized stay in the United States; provided, however, that no certificate shall be issued for a period of less than three (3) years or longer than five (5) years.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the department may issue a certificate for driving to persons who do not satisfy the requirement of subsection (g) or the requirements of § 55-50-321(c)(1)(C). Such certificate for driving shall be valid for a period of three (3) years. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all laws applicable to driver licenses and financial responsibility shall also apply to certificates for driving. All laws applicable to convictions, suspensions, cancellations, and revocations of driver licenses shall also apply to certificates for driving.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.